

Utah Wing selected for National CAP award

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All,

The word came last night and I am pleased to announce that Utah Wing Civil Air Patrol has been selected to receive the 2010 Paul W. Turner Safety Award!!!! The Paul W. Turner Safety Award is an annual award presented to the CAP wing with the most outstanding safety program and safety record.

This is a huge deal!

Under the guidance of our wing safety officer, Lt. Melanie Niedfeldt, our wing is being recognized for an outstanding safety program and for our sustained focus on a culture of safety. For example, recent events such as the encampment and SAREVAL, were completed with a focus on safety on the part of ALL participants.

Our encampment, one of the largest in the last decade, ended with an absolutely stellar safety record -- not because we didn't report incidents, but because everyone focused on having a safe encampment, and it was a VERY safe event (not to mention it was one of the best planned and executed encampments Utah has ever had).

The award will be presented to the wing during the upcoming National Board meeting in San Diego (Sept. 2-3-4).

My thanks to Melanie for her dedicated (and sustained) efforts, leadership and example to guide us in creating a safety culture. My thanks to each of you in looking out for each other and putting safety principles into practice in all we do. Continue the great work!

Jerry Wellman, Col., CAP
Commander, Utah Wing
